

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 10 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 11 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 10 Mar 2022 at 02:22 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for generally poor conditions Thursday morning, improving in the afternoon, but uncertainty in northern extent of cloud and timing of improvements. Moderate for Friday and Saturday, main uncertainty in timing and extent of any heavier rain on Friday, and showers on Saturday. Low for Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 10 Mar 2022: Low cloud and drizzle in the morning, dry with some sunshine in the afternoon. Strong winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 10 Mar 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Drizzle	Light rain	Drizzle	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
50%	60%	50%	30%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Thursday 10 Mar 2022

Weather: Extensive hill fog and patchy light drizzle through the morning, but little if any rain across Assynt and the far north. Turning dry mid-afternoon, cloud then lifting and breaking giving some sunshine in the west by late afternoon, and elsewhere by evening. Clear spells to start the night, but cloud may increase near the Great Glen towards midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% in the morning, 80% by mid-afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Very poor with extensive cloud down to 500m in the south, 700m in the north. Becoming good by mid-afternoon with cloud lifting and breaking to leave summits largely clear of cloud.

Forecast for Thursday 10 Mar 2022

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	28/33 SE	34/40 SE	33/41 S	28/36 S	38/47 S	41/51 S	39/48 S
900	24/29 SE	30/37 SE	31/39 S	26/33 S	35/44 S	37/46 S	33/43 S
600	19/24 SE	19/25 SE	23/30 S	22/29 S	24/34 S	24/34 S	21/30 S
300	2/16 E	2/23 SE	6/29 S	4/24 SW	5/27 S	5/30 S	5/34 S
Glen	7/14 E	4/15 SE	10/21 S	9/21 S	8/23 S	14/33 S	13/33 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-9	1/-7	2/-6	1/-6	-1/-10	-2/-11	-2/-11
900	-0/-8	1/-6	2/-4	2/-5	-0/-8	-1/-10	-2/-10
600	2/-4	3/-2	4/-1	4/-2	2/-4	1/-5	1/-6
300	2/0	4/2	7/5	5/3	4/2	3/1	3/0
Glen	5/2	6/5	8/6	7/4	7/4	6/2	5/2
Freezing Level*	1100m	1500m	1300m	1100m	700m	600m	500m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong winds across the tops combined with rain, drizzle and sleet will give a notable chill effect. Very poor navigation conditions through the morning, improving in the afternoon, but note the lowering freezing level and summit gales.

Forecast for Friday 11 Mar 2022

Weather: Southern ranges cloudy with showery outbreaks of rain, these occasionally heavy, some sleet or wet snow on the higher summits. Skye and ranges further north likely to be largely dry

Maximum wind: Southeast 35-40 mph gusting 50 mph, easing to 30 gusting 40-45 mph late evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% in the south and east, 60% in the northwest

Low cloud and visibility: Many ranges often very poor in cloud, bases around 700-800m for much of the day, occasionally lifting to around 1000m. Cloud more broken across Assynt and the far northwest, occasionally lifting above the summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to 10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius rising to 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Just above the summits.